

POP-UP PET CARRIER

Abstract

A collapsible pet carrier (10) includes a base (12) with a shiftable frame (14) movable between a collapsed position and an extended use position; the carrier also has a flexible cover (16) which, with the base, forms a pet enclosure. The cover (16) has an animal doorway (66) as well as optional see-through windows (74). The frame (14) is preferably formed of flexible and resilient shape memory material allowing the frame to self-erect when unrestrained, without any manual manipulation or other intervention. Also, the carrier (10) preferably includes a top (18) which mates with the base to form a carrier housing, which restrains the pop-up frame (14) to retain it within the carrier housing. The top (18) may also be inverted and secured to the base (12) during use.